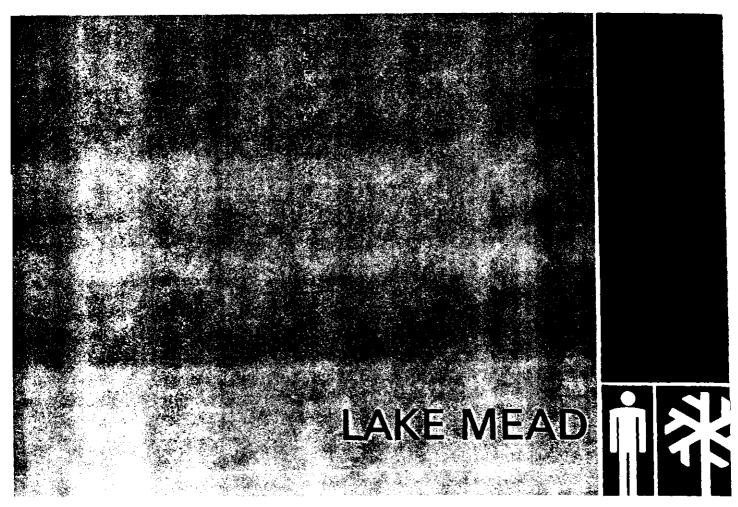
preliminary wilderness proposal

january 1979





FINDINGS

TWENTY-FIVE UNITS TOTALING 418,655 ACRES WITHIN LAKE MEAD NATIONAL RECREATION AREA HAVE BEEN FOUND SUITABLE FOR PRESERVATION AS WILDERNESS AND ARE PROPOSED FOR INCLUSION IN THE NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM. OTHER AREAS TOTALING 262,125 ACRES INCLUDING STATE, COUNTY, AND PRIVATE INHOLDINGS; LANDS ENCUMBERED BY OUTSTANDING RIGHTS AND RESERVATIONS; AND ONE PARCEL ENCUMBERED BY AN OUTSTANDING MINERAL LEASE ARE PROPOSED FOR POTENTIAL WILDERNESS ADDITIONS. WHEN ADVERSE USES ARE ELIMINATED, POTENTIAL WILDERNESS ADDITIONS WILL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME WILDERNESS.

PRELIMINARY WILDERNESS PROPOSAL

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Twenty-five units totaling 418,655 acres (as indicated on the wilderness plan map) are being proposed for wilderness designation in the Lake Mead National Recreation Area. These units comprise about 28 percent of the area's total acreage. The preliminary proposal also includes potential wilderness additions totaling 262,125 acres which will be designated wilderness when current nonqualifying conditions no longer exist and the areas otherwise qualify as wilderness. The total wilderness and potential wilderness additions comprise 680,780 acres, or about 45 percent of the national recreation area.

Summary of Wilderness Proposal

<u>Unit</u>	Wilderness	Potential Wilderness Addition	<u>Unit</u>	Wilderness	Potential Wilderness Addition
1	7,650		19	12,100	
2	15,870		20	13,895	
3	17,970	640	21	7,720	
4	17,635		22	14,020	
	29,665		23	14,290	615
6	6,975		24	32,215	
5 6 7 8 9	35,530		25	10,710	600
8	25,580		Α	,	32,955
	16,665		В		15,295
10	9,885	80	С		15,145
11	15,220		D		25,605
12	24,040		E F		2,045
13	10,610		F		14,645
14	22,095		G		13,030
15	14,620		Н		5,305
16	8,545		l		13,875
17	15,370		J		23 <i>,</i> 765
18	19,780		K		14,545
			L		83,980
			Total	418,655	262,125

The roadless area study identifies the boundaries of the land areas to be considered for wilderness designation. Each of the units was considered on the basis of the definition of wilderness as specified in Section 2.(c) of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890):

GRAND CARRON PROPOSED ALTERNATE U # HIGHWAY #3 COLORADO RIVER CROSSING HATIONAL MEAD-LIBERTY 1680 FOOT COMIÇOR NDIAN 1,000 CORNERS - ELDORADO LIME 1,000 COR CORNEGOS RESERVATION LEGEND - RECREATION AREA BOUNDARY WILDERNESS AREA WITH POTENTIAL WILDERNESS ADDITION GRAND CANYON WILDERNESS (PROPOSES) RECLAMATION ADMINISTRATIVE SITES PRIVATE LAND DEVELOPMENT SITES MINERAL LEASES RESERVED MINERAL RIGHTS POTENTIAL PUMPED STORAGE SITES MAINTAINED ROAD ----- UNMAINTAINED ROAD --- UTILITY LINE TANK OR CHECK DAM RADIO REPEATER MEAD-DAVID NO. 1 230hv LINE 230 FOOT COMMOR

ACREAGE

GROSS ACREAGE	1,496,600
FEDERAL	1,257,555
PUBLIC (COUNTY & STATE)	2,725
PRIVATE	11.900
HUALAPAI INDIAN RES.	224,420

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3	17,970	640
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23	14.230	816
24	32,216	0
25	10,710	600
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TOTAL	418.668	247,120

WILDERNESS PLAN

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